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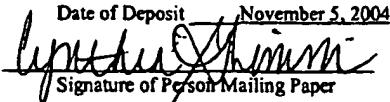
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Sir:

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

Affidavit of Inventors in accordance with 37 U.S.C. 1.131 (attached)